It’s all over but The Game for Ohio State. The best team in a weak Big Ten will get one more chance to show it this Saturday against Michigan, and then they’ll go home and watch the postseason on TV with the rest of us, either undefeated or at 11-1. All that matters is the bragging rights in the rivalry...so it’s not a matter of life or death...it’s more important than that.

If Nebraska can get by Iowa on Friday, nothing that happens Saturday will matter to determine the Legends representative against Wisconsin in the title game...the Cornhuskers will be in. If Iowa pulls off the upset, and Michigan can beat the Buckeyes in Columbus, the Wolverines will punch their ticket to Indy for December 1.

If Michigan State can even their record at 6-6 at Minnesota on Saturday, then six of the seven Legends teams will be bowl eligible, with Iowa the only outsider. In the Leaders, Purdue needs a win over Indiana to get to six victories and join Wisconsin in postseason play. The addition of Maryland and Rutgers to the conference this week (beginning in 2014) does absolutely nothing to elevate the credibility of the Big Ten as a football power.

To the weekend’s games...

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